Transfer of teachers of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan from North East region

134. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan has since decided that teachers who had been recruited in 1984 through a special recruitment for North East and were not transferable out of the seven States of North East are now transferable;

(b) the details of the meeting of the Board of Governors of the Sangathan where it was decided;

(c) the reasons for not executing the said decision while effecting annual transfers in the current session;

(d) whether it is a fact that some such teachers have been given favours of the region alongwith teachers of general category; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (PROF. M. G. K. MENON): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Board of Governors at its meeting held on 13th July, 1989 decided that such teachers who were recruited Specially for North-East region in 1984 may be made eligible for transfer outside the region.

(c) The cut off date for considering the applications of teachers for annual transfers for 1989-90, that is, 31st May, 1989, was already over by the time the above decision was taken and it was too late to invite fresh applications for transfers. In view of this it has been decided to implement the above decision of Board of Governors from the next academic session.

(d) and (e) Two Post Graduate Teachers and Two Primary Teachers who were specially recruited for North East region in 1984 were transferred out due to an oversight. All these cases are under review. In the cases of one Post Graduate Teacher and one Primary Teacher, relief has not been effected based on transfer orders. Instructions have been given not to relieve these teachers until the review is over.

Promotion and transfer of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan teachers

135. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the promotion of teachers of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan precedes transfers every year, as provided for in Transfer Guidelines of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan;

(b) if so, the reasons for not adhering to this provision during the current session in respect of Trained Graduate Teachers to be promoted as Post Graduate Teachers;

(c) whether promotions of these teachers would be undertaken before the end of the year; and

(d) if so, the detailed time-schedule thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (PROF. M. G. K. MENON): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Natonal Society of Physical Education Teachers in Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan, Madras, filed a writ petition in the High Court of Madras, praying that the physical Education teachers in the Vidyalayas should also be considered for promotion to the posts of Post Graduate Teachers as in the case of Trained Graduate Teachers against departmental promotion quota as soon as they acquire Post Graduate qualifications in a school subject. At present, physical Education teachers are not

treated as feeder category for the posts of Post Graduate Teachers. Legal Adviser, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan, advised that it would be desirable to get the direction of High Court of Madras before effecting promotions of Trained Graduate Teachers as Post Graduate Teachers. Meanwhile, with a view to avoid the delay in filling up vacancies of Post Graduate Teachers in Kendriya Vidyalayas, it was decided on the orders of the then Chairman, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan to effect transfer of Post Graduate Teachers before effecting promotions of Trained Graduate Teachers as Post Graduate Teachers.

(c) and (d) The promotion of these Teachers would be considered as soon as the direction of High Court of Madras is available.

Restoration of credibility to the Planning Commission

136. SHRI RAOOF VALIULLAH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are seeking to restore "credibility, status and authority" to the Planning Commission; if so, in what way and how does it differentiate with the existing set up and functioning of the Commission;

(b) whether the Planning Commissions would be reconstituted and whether the existing schemes would be reviewed; if so, whether the Commission propose to formulate any alternative anti-poverty scheme; if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether Government also propose to make the Planning Commission a Secretariat of the National Development Council as announced by its Deputy Chairman; if so, the details thereof?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI VISHWANATH PRATAP SINGH): (a) Yes Sir. The Government feels that by according a constitutional status to the Planning Commission its effectiveness will be enhanced.

(b) Yes, Sir. The review of the existing schemes will, however, be done by the Commission while formulating the Eighth Five Year Plan, and changes brought about, wherever necessary.

(c) The Secretary of the Planning Commission already functions as the Secretary of the National Development Council.

Plan outlay for rural sector

137. SHRI RAOOF VALIULLAH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the present plan outlay for the rural sector and whether Government propose to increase the same; if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Government have taken into account exenditure in other sectors like Energy etc., meant for rural areas, while cumulating total expenditure for the rural sector; and

(c) whether the increased plan outlay in the rural sector would be reflected in the next Five Year Plan?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI VISHWANATH PRATAP SINGH): (a) to (c) Out of the public sector outlay of Rs. 180,000 crores for the Seventh Plan, around Rs. 53,000 crores was allocated to Heads of Development like (1) Agriculture, (2) Rural Development, (3) Special Area Programmes, (4) Irrigation and Flood Control, (5) Village Industries, (6) Minimum Needs Programme (including *inter-alia* Rural Health, Rural Water Supply, Rural Roads, Rural Electrification, Rural Housing, Rural Cooking Energy and Rural Sanitation but excluding Improvement of Urban Slums), which directly contribute to the development of the Rural Sector.

While formulating the Eighth Five Year Plan, it is proposed to channelise as nearly as 50 per cent of the Government's investment outlay for the development of the Rural areas.